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**REQUEST FOR REFUND OF EXCESS FEES**

Sir:

Applicant requests a refund of one-half the excess filing fee of (\$1,527.00) paid on December 3, 1999 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.28. Enclosed herewith is the executed Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status for the above-identified patent application.

Please credit the amount of \$1,527.00 to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. For this purpose, we enclose a duplicate copy of this letter.

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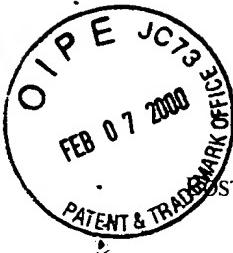
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Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

1. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status;
2. Request for Refund of Excess Fees pursuant to 37 CFR §1.28; and
3. Return acknowledgment postcard.

No additional costs are believed to be due in connection with the filing of these documents. However, please charge any necessary fees in connection with the enclosed documents to our Deposit Order Account No. 12-0080. *For this purpose, a duplicate of this sheet is attached.*

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